Green Community Task Force Minutes September 16, 2013

Present: Members: D. Blatt, J. McQuaid, N. Sullivan Advisors: M.Benson, J. Londa Finance Committee Liaison: Terry Burchfield

- 1. Meeting called to order at 6:34 P.M. The minutes from 8/20/2013 were approved.
- 2. D.Blatt reviewed the documents necessary to submit the application for the Green Community Designation program. Criterions 1 and 2 are prepared with minimal additions. Regarding 4 (vehicle purchase) only 4 vehicles are not exempt from the policy (2 cars and 1 truck form the school and the Fire Dept. Administration vehicle). Criterion 5 requires a certified letter stating that the Town adopted the Stretch Code. The most difficult is #3, the Energy Reduction Plan. The baseline will be 2013 and a plan for specific energy reduction of 15% and general strategies for 5% needs to be formulated.
- 3. J.Londa reported that better numbers are needed from the architects for the proposed new school building on anticipated energy use. Estimated fuel cost were lower but electrical cost were much higher than current levels.
- 4. It was established that the Town Safety building is in National Grid's supply territory for natural gas. The Town Manager is also looking into getting it converted to gas from oil. Perhaps an Instant-On water supply for hot water would save energy. J. McQuaid noted that other towns have used the Grant funds for these improvements, energy audits and the measures identified by the audits.
- 5. J.Londa calculated that the Town's usage for fiscal year 2013 was 26,809 MM BTU's The targeted 20% reduction would be 5,362 MM BTU's. J. Breault will have to fill in data for the town buildings and J.Londa will do all the school buildings with a goal of completing Table 4 by 9/27/13 so it will be ready to review with the Select Board.
- 6. The next meeting will be October 7, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. Location to be determined. M. Benson made a motion to adjourned; Approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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